

VIII. THE PUNIC WARS

1. Give the dates for the three Punic Wars.
2. Where were the founders of Carthage from?
3. Where is Carthage located?
4. What does the word "Punic" mean?
5. On what island is the city of Messana?
6. What mercenary army ruled Messana in 264 BC?
7. Who attacked Messana in that same year?
8. Who helped the Mammertines against Heiro II?
9. Why did Messana call on the Romans for help?



10. What Roman commander broke the siege of Messana?
11. Where did the Romans defeat the Carthaginians in 262 BC?
12. Describe how the Romans built ships that turned sea battles into land battles. Why did they do this?
13. Where did the Romans defeat the Carthaginians in 260 BC? Who was the commander of the Roman fleet?
14. Who were the Roman and Carthaginian commanders at Cape Ecnomus?
15. Describe the failed tactic of Hasdrubal at Cape Ecnomus.
16. Whom did the Carthaginians hire to help them drive the Romans out of Africa in 256 BC?
17. Where was the last battle of the First Punic War fought? Why did the war end?



18. What were the terms of the treaty that ended the First Punic War?

19. What part of Europe had the Carthaginians expanded into between the First and Second Punic Wars?

20. What city did Hannibal besiege that led to renewed conflict with Rome?

21. What Roman consul was sent with an army to Massilia?

22. Describe Hannibal's daring plan for invading Italy.

23. List the three battles in Italy in 218 and 217 BC that Hannibal won.

24. Which consul was killed at the Battle of Lake Trasimene?

25. Describe the tactics of Quintus Fabius Maximus.



26. How did Hannibal win the battle of Cannae? What were the Roman losses?
27. Whom did the Romans send as a commander to Spain?
28. Where did Scipio defeat the Carthaginians in 202 BC?
29. Describe the terms of the treaty that ended the Second Punic War.
30. What famous saying of Cato the Elder encouraged the Roman hatred of Carthage?
Give the Latin and the English.
31. What consul finally destroyed the city of Carthage?

